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Response to Office Action

(Date of Office Action 08/27/02)

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Sir:

Remarks:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated 08/27/02. Claims 1-7 are now in this application and claims 1-7 were rejected. Reconsideration and allowance of claims 1-7 is respectfully requested for the reasons explained below.

Claims 1 to 3, 6 and 7 were rejected under 102(e) as being anticipated by Dolin (Patent 5,420,572). Dolin describes a device that can be used to aid in the configuration of a network. The information needed to configure the network described in Dolin includes a node_id, a node type and a location code. As explained at column 11 lines 42 et. seq.

"the node_id is assigned at the time of manufacture of the node.the node type is also configured by the manufacturer at the time of manufacture ... the location code is assigned by the system installer"